

## Maine Revised Statutes

### Title 12: CONSERVATION

#### Chapter 915: HUNTING: SEASONS, REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS

##### §12159. TAKING REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS FROM THE WILD

**1. Prohibition; penalties.** Except as provided in this section, a person may not take and possess reptiles or amphibians from the wild for export, sale or commercial purposes.

A. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged. [ 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §207 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF). ]

B. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime. [ 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §207 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF). ]

[ 2011, c. 253, §23 (AMD) . ]

**2. Commercial amphibian permit.** Persons harvesting amphibians for purposes of sale are required to obtain a permit from the commissioner.

[ 2011, c. 253, §23 (AMD) . ]

**3. Rules.** The commissioner shall adopt rules pertaining to harvest methods, confinement and disposal of amphibians. The commissioner may by rule:

A. Require reporting of harvest activities; [ 2011, c. 253, §23 (AMD). ]

B. Establish a season, including daily and season possession limits; [ 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF). ]

C. Establish requirements for humane harvest, confinement and disposal methods; and [ 2011, c. 253, §23 (AMD). ]

D. Establish a fee schedule to implement a permit system under this section. [ 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF). ]

Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

[ 2011, c. 253, §23 (AMD) . ]

##### SECTION HISTORY

2003, c. 414, §A2 (NEW). 2003, c. 414, §D7 (AFF). 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF). 2003, c. 655, §§B207,208 (AMD). 2003, c. 655, §B422 (AFF). 2011, c. 253, §23 (AMD).

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